

COMMUNITY NEWS



2,001 REASONS TO ENJOY THE YEAR... Dale Crowe of Elba was the recipient of a drawing held at Midnight on New Year's Eve in Elba. The drawing was held in conjunction with the city's "Countdown on the Square" celebration. As winner of the drawing, Crowe received \$2,001 from the Elba Chamber of Commerce. The check presentation was made last Thursday morning at Elba City Hall. Presenting Mr. Crowe (center) with the check were Herby McCall, representing the City of Elba, and Kaye Whitworth, executive director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce.

The Coffee County Board of Education will hold a series of meetings to sign up new water users not already served by an existing water system. All persons who live South of U.S. Hwy. 84 are urged to come to one of the following meetings and sign up for the proposed county water system.

The meetings in order of occurrence are:

THURSDAY JANUARY 11th at 6:30 PM at the Holley Store Community Center - located at the junction of C.R. 474 and 460

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18th at 6:30 PM at Brooklyn Methodist Church - located at junction of C.R. 440 and 437

THURSDAY JANUARY 25th at 6:30 PM at Asbury Methodist Church Rec. Building - located at junction of C.R. 636 and 625

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 1st at 6:30 PM at County Line Baptist Church - located on U.S. Hwy 92

The deadline for signing up is fast approaching.

Local students among final semester honor roll at MacArthur

Forty-three students maintained "A" averages during Fall Semester 2000, qualifying them to be listed on the MacArthur State Technical College President's List. Honor students from the local area include: Diane Brantley, Brantley; Julie Mack Elba, Kathern Devine, Shirley Keen, and Gail Ludmum, all of Kunston.

Also, forty-three students maintained a grade point average of 3.50 to 3.99 during the Fall Semester, qualifying them for the Dean's List. Local students being named to this list include: Debra Manning, Brantley; Jennifer Bryan, Elizabeth Bryant, Anita Christian, Detrich Horstead and May Meyers, all of Elba; Bobbie and Jennifer Wingard, both of Kunston.

Russell and Siler graduate from TSU

Adelia LaShawn Russell and Janelle LaShawn Siler, both of Elba, received their Bachelor's degree from Troy State University on Dec. 15, 2000 during the Fall Semester Commencement Exercises held at the university.

Small Ads Work... Your Reading This One!!

**PUBLIC NOTICE
DESIGN PUBLIC HEARING
PROJECT NO. NHF-333(5)
COFFEE COUNTY**

The Alabama Department of Transportation will hold a Design Public Hearing for Project No. NHF-333(5), Coffee County, on Saturday, January 20, 2001 between the hours of 5:00 P.M. and 7:00 P.M. at the Elba Elementary School Cafeteria located at 102 Tiger Drive in Elba. This project concerns the four-laning of US-84 from SR-141 in Coffee County to County Road 364 in Elba.

A formal presentation will not be made. Accordingly, interested citizens can schedule their attendance at their convenience during the above-stated hours. Citizens attending this meeting will be provided project information (including the impact on adjacent properties) by viewing visual displays and through informal discussions with Department of Transportation personnel. Information regarding the Department of Transportation's Right-of-Way Acquisition and Relocation Assistance Procedures will be available at the hearing.

The meeting will provide the public an opportunity to express comments about the project in an informal atmosphere through discussions with Department of Transportation personnel and/or writing on the comment forms provided at the meeting. A recorder and stenographer will be available for anyone wishing to make a formal verbal comment about the project.

Persons with disabilities who may need special assistance should contact the Alabama Department of Transportation's Division Office, Highway 87 South, Troy, Alabama or call (334) 670-2452 at least one week in advance of the hearing.

Public attendance is urged and input is solicited.



Avon awards grant to Coffee County Family Services Center

The Avon Breast Care Fund has awarded a \$64,527 two-year grant to the Coffee County Family Services Center to increase education and awareness of the life-saving benefits of breast cancer early detection. The grant is drawn from funds raised by the Avon Breast Cancer Crusade, which since 1993 has raised \$80 million to fund access to care and finding a cure for breast cancer, with a focus on medically underserved women.

The breast health program at the Coffee County Family Services Center will educate Coffee County women and refer them to low-cost or free mammograms and clinical breast exams in their own communities.

The mission of the Family Services Center is to support and strengthen families by providing a coordinated network of services.

The Coffee County Breast Cancer Crusade is extremely important to this mission because of the high number of women who are uninsured or underinsured in Coffee County.

It is estimated that more than 800 women over 40 years old are uninsured for breast exams or mammograms. Hundreds more will be provided with life-saving information and education which will facilitate early detection and treatment.

With the new Avon funding, the program will be able to hire a part-time community educator whose goal it will be to reach more than 1,000 Coffee County women this year with vital information about the importance of early detection.

Every woman is at risk for breast cancer. It is the most common form of cancer in women in the U.S., and the leading single cause of death overall in women between the ages of 40 and 55. The American Cancer Society (ACS) recommends that women follow three steps for early detection, which continues to offer the best chance for successful treatment: annual mammograms beginning at age 40; annual clinical breast exams beginning at age 20; and monthly breast self-examinations beginning at age 20. According to the ACS, the majority of women who don't comply with these guidelines are poor and underserved women.

"Many factors, ranging from fear

to lack of a doctor's recommendation, keep women from practicing good breast health," said Lucille Latham, community educator for the Coffee County Family Services Center Avon Breast Cancer Crusade. "There is a tremendous need to reach women with information and resources. We are grateful that Avon shares this mission and has chosen to support our program."

The Coffee County Family Services Center is one of more than 500 community-based programs that Avon has funded across the U.S. during the last seven years.

For more information on the Avon Breast Cancer Crusade at the Coffee County Family Services Center, call Lucille Latham at 393-8538.

—Suzanne M. Johnson

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EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS
With Ferrin Cox

From The U. S. House of Representatives
by Congressman Terry Everett

ALABAMA'S FARMERS GAIN BIGGER VOICE IN CONGRESS

The next school year will mark the Centennial of Elba High School. This fact was brought to the attention of the school board last Thursday evening and as time has passed and our imagination gears turn, the possibilities for this project appear limitless! To take full advantage of this once-in-a-lifetime occurrence, aggressive planning must get underway... well almost yesterday, if that were possible. Every alumni should be contacted. Events involving present and past students could be scheduled throughout the year. Old grads and former teachers should be urged to visit the schools, take time to meet with the present students and encourage them with advice and personal experiences (including mistakes). On the money side, an endowment fund could be established for... well for whatever, there are a large number of Elba grads who are financially successful and should be agreeable to regular donations to this fund; if it is well managed. The possibilities are endless. Now, the idea was broached at the board meeting, we are spreading the word worldwide and hope some of our smart readers will take the baton and run with this project. Of course, for the events to move forward and be successful they will need the blessings, resources and assistance, of the school board and administration.

By the time you read this, a group of Elba and Geneva folks will have made a Tuesday afternoon pilgrimage to Montgomery trying to lock down the millions of dollars in match money needed to get the levee rebuild projects in the two communities a step closer to reality. The chances of success seem good, in spite of the groans heard over the telephone lines when the state folks are given estimates of how much (and when) cash money is actually needed. We can add that this trip is indeed made "by invitation" and that might (or should) mean something positive.

George W. Bush lost his first cabinet nomine to the woman selected for Labor Secretary got in hot water over reports of her association with an illegal alien several years ago. It is ironic and maybe poetic justice, as it turns out Linda Chavez was one of the loudest complainers several years ago about a Bill Clinton nominee who employed some illegal alien domestic help and didn't pay the proper withholding taxes. This is just another chapter in the Washington saga of "Who do we attack and destroy today?"

A real positive in the labor secretary issue seems to be the replacement the Bush team came up with late last week. Judging by her initial appearance statements, this lady knows how to push all the right buttons. While listening to her comments we wondered aloud just how any special interest group could attack those ideals and standards. Her background shows determination to achieve, she speaks flawless English, in spite of not knowing a single word of English until she was eight years old; she speaks with a kindness, almost sweetness, in her voice; made just enough reference to God for us to know her commitments and basic beliefs, without scaring the biggest Washington cynic into thinking she is a religious fanatic; she sounded humbly grateful for the nomination and chance to serve this country (her country and ours); the list could go on, but it is clear that we were impressed with Elaine Chao.

U.S. Senator Jeff Sessions is optimistic that the upcoming Congress will be very productive. In addressing the issue before the Senate recently, he cited the 1985 Nevada State Assembly which had equal numbers of Democrats and Republicans and was one of the most productive sessions in the history of the Nevada Legislature. He said the same was true in Indiana when they had an even split along party lines. Only time will tell if the U.S. Senate will be equally as productive.

U.S. Representative Terry Everett was awful excited when he first heard there was a strong possibility he would be named to head the House Agriculture committee on special crops... which includes peanuts. We were talking with him a day or so before the appointments were only rumors and/or promises but not officially passed out and it didn't take long to discover that the Wiregrass native has some big plans for the committee during his tenure at the helm. He wanted the appointment badly and was successful in getting the post. We congratulate Representative Everett and wish him well.

There are still those romantic storybook endings in real life. The new governor of Delaware is an example. Sixty-five year old Ruth Ann Minner grew up on a tenant farm and dropped out of school to work on the farm. She married and had three young sons when her husband died of a heart attack. She worked two jobs, earned her G.E.D. and went on to college. She remarried and 28 years ago went to work as a secretary in the governor's office. She went on to be the first woman to serve in leadership position in the Delaware House of Representative, and was re-elected to that office four times. She then served ten years in the state senate and was the state's first woman lieutenant governor and is now the state's first woman governor.

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Round and About With Eria 897-2006

Scripture: Luke 9:25-43

Thinking of you, praying for you, love you. The Singletary, Wofford and Shipman families, Ruth Belcher, Lovie Hooks, Mary B. Belcher, W.H. Caldwell, Mary Alice Blue, Mattie Belcher, Sheila Petty, Annie Belcher, Robert Belcher, Versie Barnes, Bobby Gulley, Jan. 13; Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Jan. 15, (In Memory Of) "Calling All Men - It's a

Man's Thing sponsored by Brotherhood Department of the Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church in the Parent Community of Brundidge will be Sunday, Jan. 21, at 2 p.m. Sermon to be given by Pastor James Kennedy of Church of God M.P.G.T., Brundidge.

***Men and Women Program at Mt. Calvary Baptist Church in Elba will be Sunday, Jan. 21, at 3 p.m. Guest minister will be Rev. John E. Jones, First Baptist Church of Shorterville, Ala.

***Black History Program of the St. Mark Baptist Church of Glenwood will be Sunday, Feb. 18, at 4 p.m. Guest minister will be Rev. C.P. Noble, pastor of the Greater St. Mark of Tuskegee, Ala.

***Annual Usher's Day of Rocky Head Missionary Baptist Church of Elba will be Sunday, Feb. 11, at 2 p.m. Sermon will be given by Pastor W.O. Edwards, Mt. Zion Baptist Church of Brantley.

Coffee County Arts Alliance to present "Joe Trio" Saturday, January 20th

Today is a good day, be grate-

ful!

Eria

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NOTICE

CITY PRIVILEGE LICENSES

ARE DUE
JANUARY 1, 2001
And Will Be Delinquent
FEBRUARY 1, 2001

There Will Be A Penalty Fee Plus Interest
Charged If Not Paid By Due Date !

Municipal Ordinances require that all persons engaged in any exhibition, trade, business, vocation, occupation, profession or calling or doing any action specified within the corporate limits/police jurisdiction of THE CITY OF ELBA are subject to a BUSINESS LICENSE.

CITY OF ELBA
DONNIE MORROW
CITY CLERK

IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN

ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Sam Totten, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH
Darryl Caldwell, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Class 6:15 p.m.

BILL SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH
Robert Smith, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Brendon Abbott, Pastor
Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Phillip Cope, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. William Frank, Pastor
Sunday School 8:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:00 p.m.

DODAS BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Mark, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Ozark District A.M.E. churches celebrate Founders Day

Presiding Elder J.F. McCloud will lead the A.M.E. churches in the Ozark District in a Founders Day celebration on Saturday, Jan. 20, at 10 a.m. at the St. Paul A.M.E. Church in Ozark. The Presiding officer will be the Rev. Elsie Copps, pastor of

Chorus, Nazareth, Piney Grove, Bethlehem, Oak Grove, Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church in the Parent Community of Brundidge will be Sunday, Jan. 21, at 2 p.m. Sermon to be given by Pastor James Kennedy of Church of God M.P.G.T., Brundidge.

The Mustard Seed Foundation to host gospel singing January 20th

The Mustard Seed Foundation Church, located on County Road 211 in the Victoria Community, will have a gospel singing on Saturday, Jan. 20, at 7 p.m. The featured singers will be the Dennis Family from Millbrook, Ala., and the Ray Stinson Band. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Isaac's to be in concert at The Country Cathedral, January 18th

The Isaac's will be in concert at the Country Cathedral located on U.S. Hwy. 280, from Opp on Thursday, Jan. 18, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. The Isaac's have

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SCHOOLS

Student Spotlight

by Francie English

Name: Amy Kirkland
Parents: Jerry & Teresa Kirkland
Age: 18
Grade: 12
Favorite color: Lavender
Favorite music: Almost every kind, but mostly oldies
Clubs/Activities: Journalism, Sr. Beta, Spanish Club, Mu Alpha Theta, Tiger Reps, Girl Scout Troop 300

Interests/Hobbies: Talking, making crafts, telling jokes

Personal quote: Proverbs 3:5-6 "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths."

Amy Kirkland was chosen to be this week's Student Spotlight. Amy's favorite things about Elba High School is block scheduling.

Amy says her most memorable moment at EHS was,

Elba Elementary School Menu Jan. 22 - 26, 2001

BREAKFAST		LUNCH	
Monday	Cinnamon Toast	Monday	Chili w/ Beans, Mixed Applesauce, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Tuesday	Pancakes	Tuesday	Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Wednesday	Biscuit & Jelly, Sausage, Cereal	Wednesday	Biscuit & Gravy, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Dill Pickles, Cookie Milk
Thursday	Breakfast Pizza, 1/2 Apple, Cereal, Juice, Milk	Thursday	Chicken Fingers, Potato Salad, Green Beans, Roll, Applesauce, Milk
Friday	Cheese, Grilled Peas, & Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk	Friday	Breaded Beef Patty, Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy, English Peas, Roll, Jello w/ Fruit Cocktail, Milk

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Miss Elbala Pageant Set for Jan. 27th

by Chelsea Cooper

The annual Miss Elbala pageant will be held on Saturday, Jan. 27, at 6:00 p.m. in the Elba High School Auditorium.

The pageant is sponsored by the Elba High School Journalism Staff. The four divisions will include Mini Miss, Little Miss, Jr. Miss and Miss Girls in the Jr. Miss and Miss categories were voted to participate in next week's edition of "Tiger Tales."

Practice for the Mini Miss and Little Miss will be held on Thursday, Jan. 25 at 6:00 p.m.

The pageant is bound to be an exciting event so I encourage everyone to be in attendance.

Elba Tigers participate In Holiday Hoops

by Alan Head

On December 18-19, the Elba Tigers boys' and girls' basketball teams played in the annual Zion Chapel Christmas Tournament. Both teams performed extremely well.

In the second round, the Lady Tigers played against the Zion Chapel Rebels and easily won their first place in the tournament.

The final placing of the teams in the tournament are as follows:

Tiger Tales

Editors:
Bethany Dye
Amanda
Beerensrauch

The pressure is on

by Bethany Dye
Thirteen EHS band students were out and about pretty early the morning of January 13. The students met at the high school at around 7:00 a.m. to travel to Ozark for Alabama All-State and District VIII Honor Band tryouts.

Upon arriving at Carroll High School at around 8:00, the Elba band members registered and went to warm-up. Faces were filled with enthusiasm, nervousness, confidence, and even dread as the students realized that the time had finally arrived for them to go to their assigned tryouts.

After standing in line for sometimes hours or end as other musicians from all over District VIII (mostly the Southeast corner of Alabama) performed for the judges, each band member submitted their tryout in the scale room. If that student played the minimum number of scales cor-

rectly (five for Jr. High and seven for Sr. High), he was allowed to move on to perform his three prepared exercises.

Next, the student switched to the third and final room for sight-reading.

Given, exactly, sixty

seconds to scan over the piece of music, each person was required to play the sight-reading exercise for the judge.

Upon finishing the tryout, there was nothing left to do but just sit and wait for the results to be announced.

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